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WASHINGTON

January 18, 1977

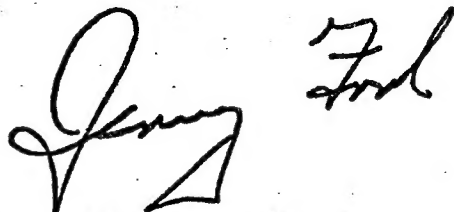
Dear George:

I have your letter, and it is with deep appreciation for your contributions to this Administration and to our Nation that I accept your resignation as Director of Central Intelligence, effective January 20, 1977.

During the past year, you have successfully faced enormous challenges. Under your dedicated leadership and direction, the Agency has regained its balance. I am confident that it is now better prepared than ever before to fulfill its vital role. The progress that has been made is an impressive tribute to your energy, integrity, and outstanding abilities.

I am happy to have this opportunity to express my personal gratitude and that of all Americans for the fine job you have done. In the years ahead, I look forward to continuing our friendship. You have my best wishes for every success and happiness.

Warmest personal regards,



The Honorable George Bush
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D. C. 20505

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FROM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Honorable George Bush
Director of Central Intelligence
Attn: Executive Secretary
Room 7E-12
CIA Headquarters

ATTN BENJAMIN EVANS

*Mr. Bush: I have made copies
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share w/ the President*

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Executive Secretary

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